




POLICY FLASH 2013-06

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TO: Procurement Directors


FROM: Director
Contract and Financial Assistance Policy Division
Office of Policy
Office of Acquisition and Project Management

SUBJECT: Executive Order-Strengthening Protections Against Trafficking in Persons in Federal Contracts

SUMMARY: On September 25, 2012, President Obama issued an Executive Order (EO) that seeks to strengthen protections against human trafficking in federal contracting. Currently, the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) provisions explicitly addressing human trafficking are FAR 22.1705, and its associated contract clause, FAR 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons. The President's EO builds on these existing FAR provisions and provides further contractor and agency contract administration requirements to combat trafficking in persons and related activities. The EO directs the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council (FAR Council), in consultation with the heads of various federal agencies, to amend the FAR within 180 days of issuance of the EO to add several compliance-driven requirements applicable to both contractors and agency contract administrators. The Executive Order in its entirety is located at:
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2012/09/25/executive-order-strengthening-protections-against-trafficking-persons-fe>.

The guidance in this Flash will be available online at the following website: <http://energy.gov/management/office-management/operational-management/procurement-and-acquisition/policy-flashes>.

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